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REMARKS


This preliminary amendment is presented to place the application in proper form for examination and to eliminate multiple dependency from the present claims. No new matter has been added. Early examination and favorable consideration of the above-identified application is earnestly solicited.

Attached hereto is a mark-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made".

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION AND CLAIMS SHOWING CHANGES

In the Specification:

Page 1, the paragraph from lines 8 to 10 has been amended as follows:

--The invention is related to coding and decoding data, more particularly in microwave link systems. **[Especially, the invention is related to such a method as described in the preamble of claim 1.]--**

In the Claims:

Claims 11, 13 and 15 have been amended as follows:

11. A receiver of a microwave radio link system, characterized in that the receiver comprises

- means for receiving and decoding a first transmission block comprising a part of a data sequence to be received,

- means for determining the length of said data sequence on the basis of information in said first transmission block, **[and]**

- means for determining the length of a second transmission block to be received at least partly on the basis of said length of a said data sequence, and

- means for determining the number of at least third transmission blocks to be received, if any.

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13. An access point according to claim 12, characterized in that the access point further comprises a receiver [according to claim 11] comprising:

- means for receiving and decoding a first transmission block comprising a part of a data sequence to be received,

- means for determining the length of said data sequence on the basis of information in said first transmission block,

- means for determining the length of a second transmission block to be received at least partly on the basis of said length of a said data sequence, and

- means for determining the number of at least third transmission blocks to be received, if any.

15. A terminal according to claim 14, characterized in that the terminal further comprises a transmitter [according to claim 7] comprising:

- means for splitting a sequence of data to be transmitted into a least two blocks, a first block of said at least two blocks having a predetermined size,

- means for specifying the length of said sequence in said first block,

- means for encoding said blocks for transmission, and

- means for transmitting said blocks, said first block first.